IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 2 FOR THE DISTRICT NEVADA 3 CUNG LE, NATHAN QUARRY, JON FITCH, Case No. 2:15-cy-01045-RFB-BNW BRANDON VERA, LUIS JAVIER 4 VAZQUEZ, and KYLE KINGSBURY, On Behalf of Themselves and All Others Similarly 5 Situated. 6 Plaintiffs, 7 v. 8 9 ZUFFA, LLC, D/B/A ULTIMATE FIGHTING CHAMPIONSHIP and UFC, 10 Defendant. 11 KAJAN JOHNSON and CLARENCE 12 DOLLAWAY, On Behalf of Themselves and All Case No. 2:21-cv-01189-RFB-BNW Others Similarly Situated, 13 14 Plaintiffs, 15 VS. 16 Zuffa, LLC, TKO OPERATING COMPANY, LLC F/K/A ZUFFA PARENT LLC (D/B/A 17 ULTIMATE FIGHTING CHAMPIONSHIP and 18 UFC), and ENDEAVOR GROUP HOLDINGS, INC.. 19 20 Defendants. 21 22 23 24 PLAINTIFFS' UNOPPOSED MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE PRELIMINARY APPROVAL BRIEF IN EXCESS OF PAGE LIMITS IMPOSED BY LOCAL RULE II 7-3 25 26 27 28

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Pursuant to Local Rule II 7-3(c), Plaintiffs in the above captioned matters (the "Action(s)") respectfully request additional pages in excess of the page limits imposed by Local Rule II 7-3 for their memorandum of law in support of preliminary approval of a proposed settlement of the Actions (the "Preliminary Approval Brief"). Plaintiffs request leave to file a Preliminary Approval Brief not to exceed thirty-five pages. This motion is based upon the Memorandum of Points and Authorities set forth below. Defendants do not oppose Plaintiffs' request for additional pages.

MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

The parties in the above captioned matters have agreed to a settlement that would resolve both Actions (the "Settlement"). As part of the Settlement, Plaintiffs will also seek provisional certification of a settlement class for the *Johnson* Action (the "*Johnson* Settlement Class"). To support the motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, the Preliminary Approval Brief will: (i) provide background information on the litigation leading to the Settlement and discuss the terms of the Settlement; (ii) demonstrate the Settlement satisfies each of the requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(e) for preliminary approval (which includes a detailed description of a proposed plan of allocation for the Settlement); (iii) demonstrate the *Johnson* Settlement Class satisfies each of the requirements for provisional certification pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(a), (b)(3) and (g); (iv) describe in detail and request approval of a proposed notice plan; (v) request approval for appointment of a claims administrator and an escrow agent for the Settlement; and (vi) request approval for a proposed schedule to implement the Settlement. The additional pages for the Preliminary Approval Brief (from twenty-four up to thirtyfive) are needed to address each of these subjects.

Local Rule II 7-3(b) provides that "[a]ll other motions, responses to motions, and pretrial and post-trial briefs are limited to 24 pages, excluding exhibits." The Court retains the authority to modify or relax such rule. Veterinary Ventures, Inc. v. Farris, 2010 WL 3070423, at *2 (D. Nev. August 3, 2010) (citing Gennock v. Warner-Lambert Co., 208 F. Supp. 2d 1156, 1158 (D. Nev. 2002)). Local Rule II 7-3(c) empowers the Court to permit a party to file a motion or brief in excess of the page limitations set forth in LR. II 7-3(b). "[G]iven the district court's inherent power to control their dockets, whether to grant leave to exceed the page limits set forth in the Civil Local Rules appears to be at the full discretion of the Court." FTC v. AMG Servs., Inc., 2016 WL 1275612, at *2, n.2 (D. Nev.

Mar 31, 2016) (quoting *Traylor Bros. v. San Diego Unified Port Dist.*, 2012 WL 1019966, at *2 (S.D. Cal. Mar. 26, 2012)).

District Courts in Nevada will permit a party to file a motion or brief in excess of the page limits imposed by the Local Rules where the party has properly filed a motion for leave of court and good cause exists for the extension. *See Robins v. Baker*, 2013 WL 5947343, at *6 (D. Nev. Nov. 5, 2013); *see, e.g., Homick v. Baker*, 2013 WL 5408643, at *1 (D. Nev. Sept. 25, 2013); *Vanisi v. Baker*, 2012 WL 1431373, at *1 (D. Nev. Apr. 25, 2012); *Grimsley v. Charles River Labs.*, 2011 WL 4527415, at *1 (D. Nev. Sept. 28, 2011). Good cause for exceeding the page limits may exist where the record is voluminous, the relevant issues are "substantial" and "susceptible of lengthy expositions." *Jacobs v. Clark Cnty. School Dist.*, 373 F. Supp. 2d 1162, 1168 (D. Nev. 2005) (granting motion to exceed page limit where the relevant issues were "substantial" and "susceptible of lengthy exposition").

Good cause exists for the extra pages because the issues relevant to preliminary approval of the Settlement, including provisional certification of the *Johnson* Settlement Class, are substantial and susceptible of lengthy exposition. Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(e) sets forth seven factors (including sub-factors) for the Court's consideration on preliminary approval of a class action settlement, along with additional factors the Court may consider as set forth in *Hanlon v. Chrysler Corp.*, 150 F.3d 1011 (9th Cir. 1998). Provisional certification of the *Johnson* Settlement Class will address the four factors of Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(a) and the two factors under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(b)(3), as well as covering the Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(g) requirements. Addressing these subjects, along with the others listed above, is not practicable under the standard page limit of L.R. II 7-3(b).

Accordingly, Plaintiffs respectfully request leave to exceed the page limits imposed by L.R. II 7-3(b) to file a Preliminary Approval Brief of up to thirty-five pages to ensure that all material issues for preliminary approval of the Settlement can be adequately addressed. Again, as noted above, Defendants do not oppose this request.

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